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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
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 For: **Mutant DNA Polymerases and Uses Thereof**
 Inventors: Deb K. Chatterjee
 Our Ref: 0942.3600003/RWE/BJD

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. SKGF Cover Letter;
2. Statement of Substance of Interview; and
3. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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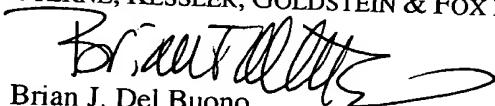
Sir:

Applicant notes that an Interview Summary (Form PTO-413; Paper No. 14) has been issued in the present matter. Applicant also notes that box (i) on the Form PTO-413 was not checked, thereby mandating that Applicant provide a separate record of the substance of the interview. Hence, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.133(b) and MPEP § 713.04, Applicant's undersigned representative provides the following statement of the substance of the interview held with the Examiner in the above-indicated application.

The Examiner contacted Applicant's undersigned representative by telephone on June 19, 2002. During this interview, the undersigned was informed by the Examiner that Applicant's Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, filed on June 14, 2002, had been received by the Examiner, and was under consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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